

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BEFORE THE NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD**

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

and

Case 07-CA-070056

**LOCAL 4881, AMERICAN POSTAL
WORKERS UNION, AFL-CIO**

ORDER

The Acting General Counsel's Request for Special Permission to Appeal Administrative Law Judge Earl E. Shamwell, Jr.'s ruling approving an informal settlement agreement settling the complaint allegations is denied on the merits. We agree with the judge that the settlement agreement comports with the standards set forth in *Independent Stave Co.*, 287 NLRB 740, 741 (1987). Therefore, the judge did not err in approving the settlement and his ruling is affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C., July 2, 2012

MARK GASTON PEARCE,

CHAIRMAN

RICHARD F. GRIFFIN, JR.,

MEMBER

SHARON BLOCK,

MEMBER